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The Honorable Mary Kay Vyskocil United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Aminov et al., S1 23 Cr. 110 (MKV)

Dear Judge Vyskocil:

The parties¹ respectfully submit this letter to provide a status update on this case in advance of the conference scheduled for May 15, 2024.

On January 29, 2024, the Court set a trial date for October 16, 2024 and a schedule for the filing of pre-trial motions. Dkt. No. 172. Defendant Albert Yagudayev was the only defendant to file a pre-trial motion, specifically, a motion to suppress search warrant returns from his cellphone. Dkt. No. 204. That motion is now fully briefed. In accordance with the Court's order of January 29, 2024, counsel for Albert Yagudayev and the Government will be prepared to discuss that motion at the upcoming conference, should the Court request argument.

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¹ As of the filing of this letter, defendants Boris Aminov and Jonathan Gavrielof have entered a guilty plea. Defendants Dezyre Baez, David Fernandez and Crystal Medina have been accepted into the Young Adult Opportunity Program. Accordingly, these defendants are not parties to this letter.

All of the defendants in this case are in discussions with the Government regarding potential pre-trial resolutions of this matter. If those discussions do not result in a plea, the parties anticipate proceeding to trial on October 16, 2024.

Very truly yours,

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